HOUSE of REPRESENTATIVES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

1. The sponsoring representative's first name:
   Mike

2. The sponsoring representative's last name:
   Hoadley

3. The cosponsoring representatives' names. All cosponsors must be listed. If none, please type 'n/a.' A signed letter from the sponsor approving the co-sponsorship and a signed letter from the member wishing to co-sponsor are required. Attach letters at question #9 below.
   n/a

4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
   City of Omer

5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for:
   201 E. Center St. Omer, Michigan 48749

6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:
   The City of Omer Water Treatment Plant site

7. Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located:
   Representative Mike Hoadley – 99th District

8. Purpose of the legislatively directed spending item. Please include how it provides a public benefit and why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding. Please also demonstrate that the item does not violate Article IV, S 30 of the Michigan Constitution.
   Please see the attached document under question 9.

9. Attach documents here if needed:
   Attachments added to the end of this file.

10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item.
    6000000

11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.
    ["None"]

12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item:
    Local unit government

13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months?
    Not applicable

14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months?
    Not applicable

15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors?
    Not applicable

16. For a non-profit organization, list all the active members on the organization's board of directors and any other officers. If this question is not applicable, please type 'n/a.'
    n/a

17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."
    Yes, this is correct

18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item:
    October 2025 - September 2026

19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate."
    Yes

The Water System Improvements in the City of Omer will include the following:

Address deficiencies issued in a letter from EGLE dated June 2, 2020. The project will replace the existing water treatment facility with a new microfiltration facility to meet the city water demands for customers, fire protection and required system reliability and redundancy. A new water tower will be constructed to provide adequate storage and pressure for the distribution system demands.

The city currently has a maximum daily demand of 60,200 gallons per day (gpd). The firm capacity of the water system is 58,200 gpd, which is less than the maximum reported daily demand, and means that the City water system does not meet the requirements of Rule 1204: Required capacity of waterworks systems. Improvements to the water treatment plant are necessary to meet these requirements.

Construction of a new drinking water treatment plant benefits the public in the following ways:

- Better contaminant removal: Newer microfiltration systems are more effective at removing pathogens, turbidity, and particulates.
- Consistent water quality: Advanced control systems improve the reliability of treatment, reducing risks of waterborne disease outbreaks.
- Reduced maintenance: Older systems are prone to breakdowns. A new system requires fewer repairs and less downtime.
- Energy efficiency: Modern systems often use less energy per unit of water treated.
- Fewer chemical additives: Improved filtration may reduce the need for chlorine or coagulants, which also cuts costs and chemical handling risks.
- Increased capacity: A replacement plant will be sized to meet future demand due to population growth or industrial development.
- Regulatory compliance: Ensures the utility meets current and stays ahead of future water quality regulations.
- Public trust: Clear commitment to public health and infrastructure renewal can build community confidence and support.
- Economic development: Reliable water infrastructure is essential for attracting and retaining businesses and residents.